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Employee Post-Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses

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Post-Travel Filing Instructions: Complete this form within 30 days of returning from travel. Submit all forms to the Office of Public Records in 232 Hart Building.

In compliance with Rule 35.2(a) and (c), I make the following disclosures with respect to travel expenses that have been or will be reimbursed/paid for me. I also certify that I have attached: The <u>original</u> Employee Pre-Travel Authorization (Form RE-1), AND ☑ A copy of the Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form with all attachments (itinerary, invitee list, etc.) Private Sponsor(s) (list all): Martin Luther King Center for Nonviolent Social Change (King Center) Travel date(s): January 26, 2017 Name of accompanying family member (if any): N/A ☐ Child Relationship to Traveler:

Spouse IF THE COST OF LODGING DID NOT INCREASE DUE TO THE ACCOMPANYING SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT CHILD, ONLY INCLUDE LODGING COSTS IN EMPLOYEE EXPENSES. (Attach additional pages if necessary.) Expenses for Employee: Lodging Expenses Other Expenses Meal Expenses **Transportation** (Amount & Description) **Expenses** N/A N/A N/A ☐ Good Faith \$414.20 Estimate ☑ Actual Amount Expenses for Accompanying Spouse or Dependent Child (if applicable): Other Expenses Meal Expenses Lodging Expenses Transportation (Amount & Description) Expenses ☐ Good Faith **Estimate** ☐ Actual Amount Provide a description of all meetings and events attended. See Senate Rule 35.2(c)(6). (Attach additional pages if necessary.): Michael Briggs arrived at the event for a meet and greet with Senator Sanders then proceeded to the main event and remained there until conclusion of the event. Michael handled all communications/press related matters. He then traveled to the airport for his departure to Washington, DC (Signature of trayet) TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING MEMBER/OFFICER: I have made a determination that the expenses set out above in connections with travel described in the Employee Pre-Travel Authorization form, are necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses as defined in Rule 35.

2-3-17 (Date) (Revised 1/3/11)

(Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer)

Gillison, Jacob (Sanders)

From:

Barbara Harrison < BHarrison@thekingcenter.org >

Sent:

Friday, December 16, 2016 11:30 AM

To:

Gillison, Jacob (Sanders)

Cc: Subject:

Donald Bullock Invitation on Behalf of Dr. Bernice A. King (CEO, The King Center & Daughter of MLK, Jr.)

Importance:

High

Dear Senator Sanders,

On behalf of the Dr. Bernice A. King, CEO of The King Center and daughter of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., I am honored to extend an invitation for you to participate in our Martin Luther King, Jr., Annual Commemorative Service, which will take place Monday, January 16, 2017 in Atlanta, Georgia. This ecumenical service is a hallmark of our holiday observance and will be held in the Horizon Sanctuary at Ebenezer Baptist Church, from 10:00 am - 1:30 pm. It will mark the King Center's 49th annual birthday celebration program, the 32nd observance of the Federal Holiday and Dr. King's 88th birthday

Specifically, we're asking you to give a tribute to her father during the service which is televised locally, on c-span and is simulcast; therefore we ask you to limit your remarks to 6 -8 minutes. The national holiday theme for the observance is "Remember! Celebrate! Act! King's Legacy of Peace with Justice for Our World." The audience will include national policy makers, educators, civil and human rights activists, religious and community leaders and the public at-large.

We hope your schedule will allow you to accept our invitation and we thank you for considering our request. Should you accept, airfare and hotel accommodations for you and a staff person will be provided.

Sincerely,

Barbara A. Harrison

Director, External Affairs, Strategic Partnerships & Programs bharrison@thekingcenter.org



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(Revised 10/19/15)

EMPLOYEE PRE-TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

<u>Pre-Travel Filing Instructions</u>: Complete and submit this form at least 30 days prior to the travel departure date to the <u>Select Committee on Ethics</u> in <u>SH-220</u>. Incomplete and late travel submissions will <u>not</u> be considered or approved. This form <u>must</u> be typed and is available as a fillable PDF on the Committee's website at ethics.senate.gov. Retain a copy of your entire pre-travel submission for your required post-travel disclosure.

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Name of Traveler:	Senator Bernard Sanders
Employing Office/Committee:	
Private Sponsor(s) (list all): The King	Center
1/15/2017 - 1/16/20	trip for any reason you <u>must</u> notify the Committee.
Destination(s): Atlanta, GA	
Explain how this trip is specifically co	onnected to the traveler's official or representational duties:
Michael Briggs will be attending the michael me Sent	ng the event as the Senator's Communications Director. Events s much media attituding and its very necessary in's Communication provides assertance to the
Sendeton.	
Name of accompanying family members Relationship to Employee: Spous	
I certify that the information contains	ed in this form is true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge: (Signature of Employee)
TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISI	ING SENATOR/OFFICER (President of the Senate, Secretary of the Senate, Sergeant at Arms,
Secretary for the Majority, Secretary for Bernard Sanders	S The such esiza
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an employee under my direct super- related expenses for travel to the ev- duties as a Senate employee or an o	vision, to accept payment or reimbursement for necessary transportation, lodging, and ent described above. I have determined that this travel is in connection with his or her officeholder, and will not create the appearance that he or she is using public office for
pritate garan	ndance of the employee's spouse or child is appropriate to assist in the representation
I have also determined that the alle of the Senate. (signify "yes" by check	king box) Deflaces
12-16-2016 (Date)	(Signature of Supervising Senator.'Officer) Form RE

United States Senate

SELECT COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

January 12, 2017

Michael Briggs Office of Senator Bernard Sanders United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Briggs:

This responds to your recent correspondence concerning an invitation you received to travel to the Annual Commemorative Observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, in Atlanta, Georgia, on January 16, 2017, sponsored by the Martin Luther King Center for Nonviolent Social Change (King Center). The King Center certified to the Select Committee on Ethics (the Committee) that it will pay the necessary expenses¹ related to the travel and that it is neither a lobbyist, nor lobbying firm, nor an agent of a foreign principal, and it is not otherwise acting as a representative or agent of a foreign government. The King Center has also certified that it does not retain or employ a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal, and that no registered lobbyist will accompany you at any point throughout your trip.²

Based on information and materials available to the Committee, and assuming the actual travel and travel-related expenses conform to the information and materials you provided, it appears that the proposed payment or reimbursement of necessary expenses for this trip may be accepted under relevant Senate Rules and the Committee's Regulations and Guidelines for Privately-Sponsored Travel, so long as at the time of the payment or reimbursement, the King Center is neither a registered lobbyist nor lobbying firm under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995, nor an agent of a foreign principal under the Foreign Agents Registration Act (and is not otherwise acting as a representative or agent of a foreign government), and provided the travel and all required documents are disclosed to the Secretary of the Senate in accordance with the provisions of Senate Rules 34 and 35.

Under Senate Rule 35, Senate staff must receive advance authorization signed by the Member or officer under whose direct supervision the individual works in order to accept payment or reimbursement for necessary expenses related to fact-finding travel. Further, such authorization and expenses must be disclosed to the Secretary of the Senate by filing the

The term "necessary expenses" has a specific definition. See Select Committee on Ethics' Regulations and Guidelines for Privately-Sponsored Travel - Glossary of Terms at 8.

² The term "any point throughout your trip" has a specific definition. See id. at 2.

completed Employee Pre-Travel Authorization and the Employee Post-Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses (Form RE-1 and Form RE-2), along with a copy of the Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form, and all relevant attachments (e.g., the private sponsor's invitation and itinerary) within 30 days of the conclusion of Privately-Sponsored Travel.

Finally, Senate Rule 34 requires a reporting individual,³ on his or her Financial Disclosure Report, to make an annual disclosure of the receipt of payments or reimbursements under Senate Rule 35 from a private sponsor for officially-related travel expenses where, in the aggregate, travel expenses exceed \$375 from that sponsor during a calendar year. However, if a Member, officer, or employee properly reports the receipt of necessary expenses for such travel to the Secretary of the Senate within 30 days of the travel, as discussed above, the travel expenses need not be disclosed a second time on their annual Financial Disclosure Report.

I hope you find this information helpful. If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Committee.

Sincerely,

Deborah Sue Mayer

Chief Counsel and Staff Director

Enclosures: Travel Checklist

³ A reporting individual is someone whose salary equals or exceeds 120% of the basic rate of pay for GS-15 (\$124,406 for CY 2017) or is a political fund designee and is required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Report.

PRIVATE SPONSOR TRAVEL CERTIFICATION FORM

This form must be completed by any private entity offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to Senate Members, officers, or employees (Senate Rule 35, clause 2). Each sponsor of a fact-finding trip must sign the completed form. The trip sponsor(s) must provide a copy of the completed form to each invited Senate traveler, who will then forward it to the Ethics Committee with any other required materials. The trip sponsor(s) should NOT submit the form directly to the Ethics Committee. Please consult the accompanying instructions for more detailed definitions and other key information.

The Senate Member, officer, or employee MUST also provide a copy of this form, along with the appropriate travel authorization and reimbursement form, to the Office of Public Records (OPR), Room 232 of the Hart Building, within thirty (30) days after the travel is completed.

Spo	The Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Nonviolence Social nsor(s) of the trip (please list all sponsors):
•	inge, Inc.
Des	cription of the trip:
Date	es of travel: Monday, January 16, 2017
	e of travel:
	ne and title of Senate invitees: Senator Bernie Sanders; Michael Briggs
I ce	(A) The sponsor(s) are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and do not retain or employ registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and no lobbyist or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee at any point throughout the trip. - OR -
	(B) The sponsor or sponsors are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, but retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and the trip meets the requirements of Senate Rule 35.2(a)(2)(A)(i) or (ii) (see question 9).
X	I certify that the trip will not be financed in any part by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal.
	- AND - I certify that the sponsor or sponsors will not accept funds or in-kind contributions earmarked directly or indirectly for the purpose of financing this specific trip from a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal or from a private entity that retains or employs one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal.
X	rtify that: The trip will not in any part be planned, organized, requested, or arranged by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except for de minimis lobbyist involvement. — AND —
X	The traveler will not be accompanied on the trip by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign princip except as provided for by Committee regulations relating to lobbyist accompaniment (see question 9)

9.	USE ONLY IF YOU CHECKED QUESTION 6(B) I certify that if the sponsor or sponsors retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, one of the following scenarios applies:					
	(A) The trip is for attendance or participation in a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and one overnight stay) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee on any segment of the trip. - OR -					
	 (B) The trip is for attendance or participation in a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and two overnight stays) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee on any segment of the trip (see questions 6 and 10). OR − 					
	(C) The trip is being sponsored only by an organization or organizations designated under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee at any point throughout the trip.					
10.	USE ONLY IF YOU CHECKED QUESTION 9(B) If the trip includes two overnight stays, please explain why the second night is practically required for Senate invitees to participate in the travel:					
11.	An itinerary for the trip is attached to this form. I certify that the attached itinerary is a detailed (hourby-hour), complete, and final itinerary for the trip.					
12.	Briefly describe the role of each sponsor in organizing and conducting the trip:					
	The King Center is the sole organizer and sponsor.					
13.	Briefly describe the stated mission of each sponsor and how the purpose of the trip relates to that mission: The King Center serves as the premier resource dedicated to educating a global network of allied indivi-					
						
	duals and organizations working collectively using the philosophy and mehtods of nonviolence to create					
	the Beloved Community Dr. MLK, Jr. envisioned. Sen. Sanders is a proponent of Dr. King's legacy.					
14.	Briefly describe each sponsor's prior history of sponsoring congressional trips: The Center has not previously sponsored congressional trips.					
	The Center has not protectly opened to grant and any and any and any and any and any and any any and any any and any any and any					

	The King Center provides nonviolence education and training based on Dr. King's philosophy and							
methodology.		<u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>						
Total Expenses for Ea	ch Participant		<u>. </u>					
Total Expenses for Ea	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expense				
Good Faith estimate	648	0	50.00 per day					
Actual Amounts								
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	vent that is arranged or	organized without r		ith regard to participation.				
Reason for selecting	the location of the event	or trip						
The trip involves an e	vent that is arranged or	or trip						
Reason for selecting the Historical Church affi	the location of the event	or trip ther King,Jr.						
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21.	Describe how the daily expenses for lodging, meals, and other expenses provided to trip participants compares to the maximum per diem rates for official Federal Government travel:				
	The daily expenses for meals are in line with the official Federal Government pier diem rates				
22.	Describe the type and class of transportation being provided. Indicate whether coach, business-class or first class transportation will be provided. If first-class fare is being provided, please explain why first-class travel is necessary:				
	Coach Air Travel				
23.	I represent that the travel expenses that will be paid for or reimbursed to Senate invitees do not include expenditures for recreational activities, alcohol, or entertainment (other than entertainment provided to all attendees as an integral part of the event, as permissible under Senate Rule 35). List any entertainment that will be provided to, paid for, or reimbursed to Senate invitees and explain why				
24.	the entertainment is an integral part of the event: None				
25.	I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true, complete and correct. (You must include the completed signature block below for each travel sponsor.): Signature of Travel Sponsor:				
	Name and Title: Signature of Travel Sponsor:				
	Name and Title: The Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change (The King Center) Name of Organization:				
	Name of Organization:				
	Telephone Number: 404-526-8961				
	Fax Number: 404-526-8965				
	E-mail Address:bharrison@thekingcenter.org				





Senator Bernie Sanders

and Michael Briggs The King Center (TKC) Atlanta GA Itinerary

For MLK, Jr. Commemorative Services

Time:	Event:	Details:			
Senate attendees arrive at own expense in Atlanta.					
<u></u>	Monday, January 16, 201	6			
9:00 AM	Ground Transportation: Watkins car service will provide transportation to the Event – Commemorative Services				
9:15 AM	Arrive at Location: Ebenezer Baptist Church 400 Auburn Ave NE Atlanta, GA				
9:15 AM to 9:45 AM	Continental Breakfast				
9:50 AM	In place for program / Reserved Seating				
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM	The MLK, JR. Commemorative Services	Attire: Business			
1:30 PM to 2:30 PM	Reception with Dr. Bernice King at TKC Administration Building				
2:45 PM	Ground Transportation: Watkins car service will provide transportation from TKC Administration Building to Airport				
Flight	Depart Atlanta on Delta Airlines Flight # 1913 To Washington, DC	Airlines Phone: 1(800) 221-1212 Coach Seating			